CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1   1.   A method for notarizing imaging data, comprising the steps of:

2   accessing imaging data via a network; and

3   electronically notarizing the imaging data.

1   2.   The method of claim 1, wherein the step of accessing imaging data

2 comprises receiving a document with a network-based notarization service.

1   3.   The method of claim 1, wherein the step of accessing imaging data

2 comprises accessing a document in a user personal imaging repository with a network-

3 based notarization service.

1   4.   The method of claim 3, wherein the step of accessing imaging data

2 comprises accessing imaging data through use of an imaging extension.

1   5.   The method of claim 4, wherein the imaging extension comprises part

2 of a user browser.

1   6.   The method of claim 4, wherein the imaging extension comprises part

2 of the network-based notarization service.

1   7.   The method of claim 1, wherein the step of electronically notarizing

2   imaging data comprises modifying the imaging data by adding at least one of a stamp

3   and a digital signature to the imaging data.

1   8.   The method of claim 7, further comprising storing the modified

2   imaging data.

1   9.   The method of claim 8, wherein the modified imaging data are stored

2   in a user personal imaging repository.

1   10.   The method of claim 1, wherein the step of electronically notarizing

2   imaging data comprises generating a notarization certificate.

1   11.   The method of claim 10, further comprising storing the notarization

2   certificate.

1   12.   The method of claim 11, wherein the notarization certificate is stored

2   in a user personal imaging repository.

1   13.   A system for notarizing imaging data, comprising:

2   means for accessing imaging data via a network; and

3   means for electronically notarizing the imaging data.

1   14.   The system of claim 13, wherein the means for accessing imaging data

2   comprises means for receiving imaging data with a network-based notarization

3   service.

1   15.   The system of claim 13, wherein the means for accessing imaging data

2   comprises means for accessing a document in a user personal imaging repository with

3   a network-based notarization service.

1   16.   The system of claim 15, wherein the means for accessing a document

2   in a user personal imaging repository comprises an imaging extension.

1   17.   The system of claim 16, wherein the imaging extension comprises part

2   of a user browser.

1   18.   The system of claim 16, wherein the imaging extension comprises part

2   of the network-based notarization service.

1   19.   The system of claim 13, wherein the means for electronically

2   notarizing imaging data comprise means for modifying the imaging data by adding at

3   least one of a stamp and a digital signature to the imaging data.

1   20.   The system of claim 13, wherein the means for electronically

2   notarizing imaging data comprise means for generating a notarization certificate.

1   21.   A network-based notarization service stored on computer-readable

2   media, comprising:

3   logic configured to access a document stored in a personal imaging repository;

4   and

5   logic configured to electronically notarize the document.

1   22.   The service of claim 21, wherein the logic configured to electronically

2   notarize the document comprises logic configured to modify the document by adding

3   at least one of a stamp and a digital signature to the document.

1   23.   The service of claim 21, wherein the logic configured to electronically

2   notarize the document comprises logic configured to generate a notarization

3   certificate.